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"KHOCHEV" INTERVIEWED BY THE POLICE (1945)

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[Two-part message complete]

[Part 1] To GENGLIJ. [1]

After two ^{weeks} preliminary detention [ii] "KHOCHEV" [iii] was released on 7th February, 1945. The next [CF day] 8th February, 1945 he unexpectedly appeared at ANATOLIJ's [iv] flat and had a chat with his wife. According to KHOCHEV's information: 7 [5] groups unrecovered]

1.30 at his house. The same day at 6

[21 groups unrecoverable]

when they said to him at the police [headquarters] [a] that his wife had told everything, but admitted that there had been at his place"

[60 groups unrecoverable]

SMIRNOV [v]. KHOCHEV denied receiving money from ANATOLIJ. The police asked about his acquaintance with ABRAM. [vi] KHOCHEV denied [knowing him] [3] but police named the time and place of their meeting. about VALENTIN [vii]

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apparently they did not ask. KHOCHEV testified, ^{to the Police} that he had met an engineer, KOLLONTAJ [viii] and other members of the Soviet Legation. The police ^{also} [7 groups unrecovered]. As KHOCHEV related the business, the police [7 groups unrecovered]. KHOCHEV asked the police "not

[38 groups unrecovered]

received a Czechoslovak passport,

[12 groups unrecoverable]

told him.

[Part II] The military neighbours are in contact here with the Czechoslovak Military Attaché, Lieutenant-Colonel CESLAVKA, who ~~will require official~~ ^{accomplishes the official post}

[10 groups unrecovered]

KHOCHEV, [6 groups unrecovered] KHOCHEV

[129 groups unrecovered]

KHOCHEV

[49 groups unrecovered]

KHOCHEV from

[12 groups unrecovered]

was under [B] the control of the Swedes and [b]

[57 groups unrecoverable]

from [B] HELSINKI to STOCKHOLM.

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VALERIAN [in]

Notes: [a] Inserted by the translator.

[b] The group after "and" is probably either "the Americans" or "the British".

Comments: [i] GENNADIJ : Major-Gen. Gajk Badalovich OVAKIMYAN.

[ii] Although this is what our text gives, STOCKHOLM-MOSCOW message No. 222 of 30th January 1945 (S/NBF/T487) looks as if it might be the first announcement of "KHOCHEV's" arrest. If this is so "two months" may perhaps be a garble for the adjacent group for "two weeks" - identification changed

[iii] KHOCHEV :

[iv] ANATOLIJ : Probably Aleksei PANIN, a member of the Soviet Trade Delegation in STOCKHOLM and an KGB Cadre for

[v] SMIRNOV : Presumably the Soviet Consul of that name.

[vi] ABRAM : Igor' Mikhajlovich SPICHKIN, who had been Soviet Press Attaché in STOCKHOLM until September 1944.

- Comments contd: [vii] VALENTIN : Although the code group for this cover name could equally well be used for the feminine form "VALENTINA", collateral evidence shows that "VALENTIN" was in fact used as a cover name by Fedor Grigorievich CHERNOV, an MGB-Gedre worker in STOCKHOLM.
2nd Secretary at the Soviet Legation
- [viii] KOLLONTAJ : Probably a son of the Soviet ^{Minister} Ambassador to SWEDEN, Aleksandra Michajlovna KOLLONTAJ.
- [] CESLAVKA, Lt Col
- [ix] VALERIAN : Vasilij Fedorovich RAZIN, MGB-Resident in STOCKHOLM. *1st Secretary at the Soviet Legation in Stockholm*